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Chief Manager. Hongkong, 1st January, 1899

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Solicitor, Assembly Hongkong, 20th January, 1880

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NAR. G. E. NOBLE has been appointed CHIEF MANAGER of the Bank from the ist lanuary, 1889. By Order of the Court of Directors.

Chief Manager. Hongkong, 31st December, 1888.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. D. A. TROTTER in our Firm ceased on

31st ultimo. Mr. F. W. BRUCE, and Mr. G. U. PRICE have this day been admitted PARTNERS in our

TAIT & Co. Amoy, 1st January, 1889.

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PUSTAU & Co Hongkong, 1st January, 1889

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(PASSING THROUGH THE INLAND SEA.) THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship "VERONA"

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Hongkong, 10th January, 1880.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE! THE Company's Steamship

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FOR NEW YORK. THE 3/3 A. I. I. American Ship

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"CITY OF NEW YORK" will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, the 6th February

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United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices in Scaled Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco. For further information, as to Passage and For further particulars regarding Freight and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50 A, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkeng, 17th January, 1870.

C. D. HARMAN,

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Vancouver, B.C. Freight will be received on board natil 4 P.M. on the 6th February. All Parcels must be sent to our Office and should be marked to address in full ; and the same will be received by us until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing. For information as to Passage or Freight.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents: Hongkong, 10th January, 1880

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ing at San Francisco for China or Japan (or

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N. SUNDAY, the 17th day of February, 1889, at 10 A.M., the Company's Steamship "BRAUNSCHWEIG," Capt. H. Bodeker, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE & CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at GENOA. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 pini. Specie and Parcels until I p.m., on the 16th of ebruary, 1889. (Parcels are not to be sent/on board; they must be left at the AGENCY's Office), Contents and Value of Packages are required.

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THE CANTON DISPENSARY, CANTON. Hongkong, 18th January, 1889

MARRIAGE.

At Canton, China, on the 29th of January 1880, at the British Consulate, by Chaloner Alabaster, Esq., H.B.M.'s Consul, and afterwards' at Christ Church, by the Rev. John Grundy assisted by the Rev. B. C. Henry, DAVID MACHAFFIE, eldest son of the late David MacHaffie, of Glasgow, Scotland, to ALICE, daughter of the Hon. Charles Seymour, U. S. Consul Canton.

Hongkong, Wednesday, January 30, 1889.

THE "Conner" in the Steam Launch Company's shares to which we referred the other day would appear to have already lost its grip, and the rascally "riggers" are, to use the expressive if somewhat inelegant language of the local "Rialto," feeling very sick. These enterprising gentry, who represent various nationalities, are credited with having obtained control of a very large proportion of the Company's scrip, and in addition have purchased "on time" several hundred more shares than are actually in existence. When the date arrives for delivering these latter shares the "short-sellers," unable to Korea. purchase unless at exorbitant rates in a false and carefully inflated market, must at which they decided to give a ball about the Inevitably find themselves in an awkward, position. But the select circle of "bulls" who have conspired to effect this barefaced robbery will be lucky indeed if they receive the fruits of their knavery in hard cash, or even in the shape of uncertain and unsatisfactory 'promises to pay at some subscriptions to the North China Famine Relief future time. The fact, and that it is a fact cannot be denied, that the "bears," who sold shares they did not possess in the belief that a drop was imminent, would under ordinary circumstances be undeserving of the slightest sympathy, does not in any way improve the moral position of the "bulls," and it so happens that in this particular case the circumstances are, we would fain hope, of a most unusual character.

The Directors of the Steam Launch Company, we have every reason to believe, tay. M. de Pince has been substituted by M. de one of them, and blew his whistle for assistance. are not in any way connected with this Share Market scandal; they are indeed credited with indignantly repudiating a movement which has no tangible justification. At present we regret being unableto. say for certain who was the originator and prime mover of this audacious fraud, but no doubt his identity will shortly be established. It is, however, certain that a number of persons who describe themselves as brokers have been active participators, otherwise the game could participators, otherwise the game could come for, but he snapped his fingers at the hacking at the unfortunate Sikh when Gouldum right over Joseph, who doubtless thought the sentative assembly, which votes and discusses the result? the elected members know they not have been successfully carried out. Registrar, and wouldn't take any notice of any. got up, but he dropped one of them with a blow last trump had been sounded. On regaining measures. In a Crowd Colony the ministers has powerless they may vote against the Bill The modus operandi pursued was simplicity itself. Certain principals, who "were in the swim," gave certain brokers instructions to buy for forward delivery as many shares

brokers, who also act as advisers to their constituents and occasionally as traffickets on their own account, went actively to work in all three capacities. We need only quote one case, as it is almost identical with all the others. A broker called on a client—a very old and esteemed resident and strongly urged him to "sell short' largely in the Steam Launch Co.'s shares the advice was taken, contract notes for 300 shares were duly signed, and the "plant" was successfully accomplished. These 300 shares went direct to the inspired "corner."

It is probably not a bit more the business of a newspaper Editor to offer advice to his readers than it is that of a share-broker to advise his constituents; but in a matter | THE Governor-General of French Indo-China like this so-called "boom" in the Steam Launch Co.'s stock, which is likely enough to bring disgrace and ruin to a number of | warm speeches were the order of the evening. foolish persons who wereby false pretences induced to place reliance on the counsels of intriguing and unscrupulous rogues we will venture to strongly recommend wholesale repudiation of the whole of these time transactions and challenge the "riggers" to vindicate whatever rights they A CRICKET match H.K. C. C. v. Army and Navy may possess in the Supreme Court. It is: matter for argument whether unde any circumstances these "short-sales would be held legal, but there cannot be the least doubt that transactions accomplished by means of a conspiracy to defraud will not be upheld in ar English court. It is an almost invariable custom in thi

enlightened colony of Hongkong to impute interested and selfish motives to whoever takes upon himself to expose a public scandal. And this Steam Launch Co. exposé has been no exception to the general rule. A rumour has been industriously circulated—by interested scoundrels, o course-that our comments were influenced by the very important fact that the 'Editor of this journal had "shortsold" the paltry trifle of one thousand shares. Personally we could well afford to deserves, but as several correspondents have thought fit to make inquiries on the subject it is perhaps as well to state that it is absolutely without the slightest foundation. The Editor of this paper does and never did gamble in shares and stocks; he has not now nor at any other time sold a single Steam Launch share for forward delivery, and he has never purchased any. His name appears as one of the original promoters of the Steam Launch Company and as a holder of fifty shares; feeling dissatisfied with the management of the Company he sold these shares at par—and that is all. If any of the ragged army of brokers, with whom this report undoubtedly originated, are in a position to prove their allegations, we invite them to do so, and we now have to apologise to our readers for having been forced descend to a personal explanation of this character.

The question of how to prevent recurrence of this latest Share Market abuse, which we understand is now under consideration by the Government, we propose discussing in another article.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

TO-MORROW being the Chinese New Year, there will be no issue of the Hongkong Telegraph.

THE Japanese authorities are considering the advisability of establishing a Post Office in Soul,

THE Royal Engineers had a meeting last night,

M. FRADIN, chancelier of the French Consulate at Manila, has assumed charge in the absence of Consul Nodot.

FROM an advertisement in another column i will be seen that the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation have undertaken to receive Fund, and transmit the same to the Shanghai

THE copra industry in the Pelew group, as conducted by Capt. O'Keeffe and his fellow-traders. seems to be increasing. A Chinese-built schooner with a capacity of about 100 tons was launched 'yesterday at Wong Ma Kok, for this business, Miss Seimund christening her the Jeanne.

THE following official appointments in Tongula are notified by our Haiphong contemporary;-M. Morel, to be vice-resident at Hung-yen in lieu of M. Delmas who has been placed in Alcan to be chancelier to the Residency of Son-

Charpal as Resident of Haiphong.

THE British gunboat Cocke to Brown Lively mander E. E. Maxwell, arrived to from Pagoda Anchorage.

THE Japanese Government propose to construct new buildings for the Naval Department, at an estimated cost of year 80,000.

MANILA papers report a very quiet state of things in the Caroline Islands. Octavian peace prevailed at Ponapé at the time of the latest advices.

THE French Chamber has taken into consideration a motion made by Mr. Ernest Lesevre to have elective rights conferred on ladies for the election of members of the Chamber of Com-

AN Emergency meeting of Zetland Lodge, No.: 525, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, on Saturday, the 2nd proximo, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

was, says the Courrier'd'Haiphong, entertained to a 'Punch' meeting at Hanoi on the night o the 19th inst. All the officials were present and

AT the end of last year the population of Hakodate was 44,801, of which there were 22,418 males and 22,383 females, with 10,457 houses, showing an increase of 2,935 in population (1,563 males and 1,373 females) and of 508 houses as compared with the figures at the end of

will commence to-morrow at 10.30 a.m. sharp Tiffin will be provided on the ground. following is the Club team: -E. J. Coxon (Capt.) G. S. Coxon, T. S. Smith, E. W. Maitland, Maitland, C. S. Barff, L. C. Barff, T. E. Davies, C. A. Tomes, E. Travers, and another.

An industrial syndicate has been formed in Paris. having for its object the manufacture and introduction into French Indo-China of cotton goods suitable for the climate. An exhibition of these articles was recently held at Hanoi; our Haiphong contemporary says that by their quality and their price they are sure to command a ready sale among the natives.

INSPECTOR Stanton paid a visit of ceremony to a gambling divan in Upper Lascar Row yesterday, at tiffin-time. The residents in the house felt distrustful, and left burriedly on seeing his advance-guard of informers. He called, all the 'same, and found every approach to the room strongly barred, the work of breaking in taking considerable time. He found gambling apparratus, daggers, &c., scattered about, and an informer discovered a gambler. Mr. Pollock sent the latter up for six months, and ordered the former to be confiscated.

THE Macao Independente dwells at great length treat such a statement with the contempt it on the education question in the Portuguese colonies, and suggests some improvements in that line. We have heard so much of the highly educated Portuguese who flourish in the Colonies. particularly in the neighbouring Athens of South China that we thought all further improvement was impossible. We are surprised to hear the state of education in the model colony of Macao and among the natives of Goa is anything but perfection, and we hope the Independente will mend matters.

> THERE was nearly being an international question over Kowloon side the other day. The dignitary who ejects squatters and arranges land sales for the Government when funds are low was crossing from Yaumati to Hung Ham, and to do so, for convenience took the road which bends just into Chinese territory. His boy had a couple of bottles of stout in his hands, and a official chaffed him for a while, and walked across into his own territory, where, with fine humour, he drank the lot.

> THE quantity of coal produced in Japan at present, according to the Bukka Shimpo amounts to 1,500,000 tons per annum. following shows the result of investigations made by the authorities as to the amount of coal con-

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Milke (Chikugo)	150,000,000
Karatsu and Taku (Hizen)	330,000,000
. Hirato and Imaluku (Hiren)	10,000 000
Chikures and Husen	670,000,000
Amakusa (Higo)	20,000,000
Amakusa (Higo)	18,000,000

The production of coal from the Takashima mine—in which working was first begun in the period of Kyoho (1716-1735)—during the last 150 years, was 8,000,000 tons, and there should still be over 2,000,000 tons of coal in the mine. The annual production is over 200,000 tons and the extent of the working is 76 cho (one cho is 60 ken). The quantity of coal turned out during the five years ending 1885-was 166,352 tons in 1881, 253,678 tons in 1882, 252,045 tons in 1883, 246,654 tons in 1884, and 263,781 tons in 1885. The total extent of the Milke Colliery workings in 1883 was 3,440 cho, and the coal deposits amounted to over 130,000,000 tons. The quantity of coal exported to Shanghai and Hongkong during the eight years ending 1887 was as follows :---

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DESPERATE STRUGGLE ARMED THIEVES.

A serious affray between three Chinese robbers and an Indian constable occurred late last night, at Wanchal. About midnight the Sikh suspected the men, who were in St. Francis Street, behaving strangely, of felonious designs, and stopped them charge of the military station of Ke-sat. M. They resisted, and as far as can be gathered one of them struck him with a sword. He seized Whilst doing so he was slashed across the face. his nose being half severed, the blow causing An Indian at Wong Nei Chong has got into him to bite the whistle and make it useless, serious trouble through combining baby-farming | His carbine was unloaded, according to regulawith dairy-farming. Some time ago a Punjabi tions, and he opened the breech, but could not in Hongkong died, leaving two children and get the cartridge in, as all three, were about \$100 in money. The Registrar, Mr. Wise, assailing him in a very determined manner. took charge of the lot, but when the dairyman | They apparently got him down, and he must shortly afterwards offered to bring the little ones have rolled twenty or thirty yards, his rifle, up he let them go. But the philanthropic Hindoo | tur an &c., being found in various places, along | being beaten off. A rather funny incident | Crown, but to the representative Assemblies. | Colonies, 199 stimes tout of a hundred, there is kept wanting the \$100 as well, and threatened, with a long rope belonging to the men. His when his claim was ignored, to send the children | whistle had been heard by Mrs. Goulburn, howaway. Mr. Wise thereupon found another home ever, and she aroused her husband, and then Robin Gray was slowly trotting down the straight, of veto; everything in the riature of Legislation; hopeles to expect them to criticise and exercise for them, and sent Bailiffs Howell and Macbean both of them heard moans. Goulburn seised a his rider, the evergreen Joe, being apparently is initiated in the Colony by ministers chasen, their reason, commonsense, and intelligence on down to Wong Nei Chong to get possession of hammer, and ran out in his pyjamas, his wife asleep. Owing to some reason or other by the people. In the second class the Crown government measures for which they must vote them. Macbean told the dairyman what they had following with a lamp. The thieves were still the old moke stumbled and came down, rolling chooses the ministers, but there is a represent whether they approve of them or not. What is one under a Judge. Howell put one of the little of the hammer, and the others fied. Assistance his feet Robin Gray indulged in a careful look; and all the members, of the Assembly are but it will be chiriled in spite of them. The girls in his ricksha, but the man stopped the come, and the constable was removed to the round, and as he had only burst one of his girths appointed by the Crown. It is a fundamental hatural result is that, just as we should if we vehicle and struck Howell, who promptly banged. Hospital, and the captured the be objected to returning to the stable until he principle of English constitutional law that as knew that whatever we might do to prevent any bim in the eye and brought him to reason. He' gaol. A blood-stained sword was found on had done sufficient work to make the Hack soon as an Englishman goes either into an particular thing, or carry out a particular view was summoned to day for obstructing the officers the ground, with a quantity of hair, apparently Stakes a certainty for the second year in success uninhabited or a barbarous country, or one, like all will be unavailing, they do nothing. They of the Court, and ordered by Mr. Pollock to find from the Sikh's head, round the handle,-Mr. sion, and so he joined in with Melapi and White China, hardly barbarous, he carries with him know that it will only go one way. It seems

will remember, when assisting the police on a former occasion. On the night of the 25th September, 18-8, a large band of pirates attacked the silversmiths' shops in Wing Lok Street. Goulburn ran down to help the few police who were there, and was speared in the shoulder whilst passing a shop. He fell in the channel, and received another thrust which destroyed the sight of one eye. His assailant was about to administer a blow in a more vital part when a constable who was behind fired, cutting the pirate's heart completely in two. The Government voted some slight recognition of his claim, but this time it will be more substantial, let us

TRAINING NOTES.

The attendance of spectators in the enclosure this morning was even larger than usual, and the proceedings were full of interest. Although still far from satisfactory, the race-course was in much better order than it has yet been this season and some very fair performances, by the time test, were registered. Needless to say that Defiance was the first pony on the track, and this splendid goer was sent a mile and a quarter by himself at about half speed, covering the distance in 37, 1.14, 1.51, 2,252, and 2.57. As this pony is believed to be quite up to Champions form-he cost taels 1,500 in Tientsin -, I really cannot imagine what use there possibly can be in sending him along, within three weeks of the race-meeting, at a pace which any Subscription griffin can improve on without an effort. Mr. Humphreys knows quite well that to win the big races with Defiance he must beat Orlando, and as Mr. John Peel's big chesnut will do his mile and a halfunder 3.15 on a good course, it is simple folly to allow a long-striding pony like 1 1.40, and I fancy the latter would be all the better Defiance to keep 'pottering' by himself at a rate | for a few days rest. Full Cry and Y-dywydda of speed which any ordinary hack could equal without difficulty. However, the trainer of the Tientsin pony ought to know best how to get the 1500-tacler cherry ripe, but, all the same, I don't think Defiance will prove very dangerous if the band box system of training is persevered

Lord Chancellor, Strawberry Jam, and Dot were sent a mile and a quarter in company; Mr. Sykes' dun is the best mover of the three, but he wants more time and more judicious riding before he can reasonably be expected to show his true form, and I was therefore not surprised to see him finish last. Mr. Lightwood's improving pony and Dot ran a close race home, the little un, if anything, having the best of the inish. The times were—351, 69, 1:461, 2:261 and 3.02. So-déska, Sáy-a-nara, and Senegal galloped together, and I timed their last three quarters 36. .12 and 1.47%, the first and last named passing the post in close order. Say-a-nara pulled up' lame, but apart from all that, in my opinion his marble colored stable companion will prove much the better racer of the pair. Gone Away, who ought to have been entered in the Hack Stakes, covered a mile by himself in 2 min. 261

Perhaps it will be just as well give in order the work done by the representatives of the three or four big stables. As I commenced with Desiance. I had better continue with Mr. Humphreys' long string of griffins. The whole of these ponies galloped a mile and a quarter in divisions. Vanquisher, Venger and Victor registered 36, 1.10, 1.45, 2.20 and 2.54, finishing strongly and in good form. Victory, Vengeance, Valour made 361, 1.10, 1.441, 2.181 2.52. Vanguard, Veteran, Vespasian, Vandal covered the full distance in the last mile in 341, 69, 1.45, and 2.21, Valiant, Value, Violent and Vis Inertiæ I was unable to time, but the performance must have been pretty good, and the Subscription griffins fairly held their own. So far as my judgment ragged soldier insisted that these were dutiable, goes at present, Mr. Humphreys has four or five demanded forty cents. The Government | griffins of good class that will take a lot of beating in the Derby and other griffin races.

> Mr. Buxey has an exceptionally strong string of highly tried griffins, most of which were spun out this morning over the historical mile and a half. The first trio were Skipjack, Scapegrace and Fisherman, who recorded 37, 1.14, 1.50, 2.26, 3.02 and 3:36, the finish being a very close one. Bombshell joining in at the mile post: the beating for the Blue Riband, even although he performer. Mr. Buxey's "subs," Biloochee and Pathan, galloped with Mr. Darius' Imperieuse and Alacrity and had a bit the worst of the "pow," the latter pair finishing neck and neck -times for last mile 34, 69, 1.44 and 2.17.

The Ewo stable also showed capital form. Leap Year, accompanied by Vendetta and the griffin Challenger, went over a mile and three quarters at a good strong pace, the winner of last year's Derby and the probable winner of this season's crack griffin race acquitting themselves like first class race-ponies. I timed them for a mile and a half-38, 1.15, 1.52, 2.27, 3.02 and 3.35%. After passing the winning post the trio put on high pressure and raced at full speed to the mile and a half starting post, "Croppie" and the Derby crack easily drawing away from Mr. Sassoon's cast-off. It requires no great amount of prescience to predict that Challenger will be a very hard nut to crack in the Derby, For a mile and a quarter Honesty showed the way to Bandsman and Fleet Foottimes 33 671, 1 421, 2.18 and 2.521—all three finishing strong and well. Hark Forward galloped the Derby distance, Pacolet and the Subscription pony Grey Goose "chipping in" at the mile and a quarter post. The time for the mile and a quarter was 3.03, but as the other pair were pulled back to the dark grey, it need not be seriously considered. Hark Forward seems to gallop in good style and is worth looking after. Orlando. by himself, went the Champions' distance in 38, 1.14, 1.48}, 2.23, 2.57, and 3.30, going very easily all the way, but giving unmistakeable evidence of being thick-winded. Hotsput for a mile and a quarter, going freely and well made 2.541. Quadruped also galloped by himself, but scarcely came up to expectations.

Melapi (Mr. Hutchings) and White Pacha

All the way round the ancient screw showed the Derby candidates the way home, and all Mr. Hutchings' efforts of Melapi could no bring that noble looking but comparatively useless steed to the front, the conqueror of Honesty in his griffin days eventually passing the post an easy winner, and then he quietly returned to roost."

The Subscription griffins Soll, Zara, and Persimmon galloped a mile in 2.24, the first named winning from Mr. Tasman's dark grey after a close finish. Glenearn and Rosy Morn were sent six furlongs, covering the last half mile, 66 seconds. Lochinvar galloped a mile slowly, by himself. Harborer a very good looking Derby griffin in Mr Triad's stable, was confined to sharp sprints down the straight. In a mile and a quarter spin the Hankow pony Exeter was beaten off by the Subscription griffins Haben and Talisman, Mr. Jay's grey beating the chesnut cleverly in 2 min 58 secs. Exeter is as thin as a hurdle and unable to raise a gallop, so that I am afraid his plucky owner will reap but a scanty reward for sending him some fifteen hundred miles to do battle with our local celebrities. Alacrity, Imperiouse, Beloochi and Pathan were sent for all they were worth over the mile course; the chestnut led near home, where Alacrity came alongside and won cleverly, with Pathan close up and Biloochee, who is "off colour" at present, beaten off. The times were-34 69, 1.44, and 2.17. McDuff and Mac had much the best of Methven over the Valley Stakes distance—times 34, 68 and 1.42].

Mr. Tell's Derby griffin Jorat easily beat the 'sub" Springins(eld in a six turlongs "pow galloped in company, but I did not time their performance. St. Gothard (Mr. Sassoon) easily beat Maloja (Mr. Ruegg) for a mile in 2.15; very fair performance considering the weigh carried by the winner. Dunkeld cantered slowly, and I noticed Silken Mead tearing along, but not in his old form. Post Boy, lately on the sick list, covered the half-mile in 66} seconds, moving very freely and finishing full of running.

Shortly after ten o'clock the ponies in the stables of Messrs. Sid and Ess were galloped on the training track, which is very much faster than the race course. For a mile Chaser distanced Benhur, in 311, 65, 1.39 and 2.12, the dark grey showing marked improvement both in his style and finish. In a mile and a quarter spin Cherry Blossom beat Cherry Ripe by a head after a hard race from the quarter mile post—times 36,60, 1 45 2.20, and 2.52. Ganges and Bicycle went together for six furlongs in 36, 1.10 and 1 41-too slow time to be of any value, in reckoning up the merits of either pony. After a grand finish Kingeraft cleverly disposed of Starry Nights in a mile "pow,", but the times -32,661, 1.44/ and 2.20—on such a flying course cannot be considered satisfactory. Still, Kingcraft is an improving sort and will race from end to end. Ormonde, Mikado, and Altels (late Con Impeto) raced together for a mile, Mr. Bethell's cast-of making all the running and beating the old half-miler by rather over a length in 32!, 67%, 1.49 and 2.19.

AN OLD SPORTSMAN. Hongkong, 30th January, 1889."

· CROWN COLONIES.

AN INTERESTING LECTURE

On Monday night the second regular meeting of the Hongkong Literary Society was held, in the since the Colony was constituted—and this City Hall. A smaller room than last time! was chosen, and was a great improvement. The attendance was not so large as last time, but I tioned. Take the Merchant Shipping Act—it the cruption of evening dress was proportionately | applies to "all Her Majesty's dominions," which mild. Mr. Francis, Q.C., lectured on "Crown | necessarily includes Hongkong. Then there Colonies . Dr. Chalmers, before calling on the are special acts which particularly apply ;-- for Lecturer, explained that the Committee had been | instance Hongkong is particularly mentioned in unable, as yet, to find a local habitation for the the Act for Chinese Emigration. But all Acts Society, but they hoped to do so before the next | of Parliament in force in England prior to 1845

very wisely laid down by Dr. Cantlie on the last | Acis, although not declared in form, would not occasion, that the lectures shall be given on be considered to apply. Many English laws subjects with which the persons who deliver have a purely local application, and the bulk of Arabic and Byplay went a mile and a half, them are acquainted, I propose this evening, them do not apply generally. For instance the when treating of the Crown Colonies, not to ecclesiastical laws are not applicable to the times were 36, 692, 1.44, 2.182, 2.544 and 3.304. | trouble myself about their geographical positions, The next trio were old Joker, and the griffins Busy- | description, &c., but to deal only with that which body and Pao-shing, and they not only went in | comes within the scope of my own professional capital style, but made, for the distance, by far | studies of their Constitutions and the methods the best performance of the morning, namely : - | by which they are governed. As pointed out to 34. 68, 1.44, 2.19, 2.512, and 3.26. As Pao-shing | you at the last lecture, there are many English was simply cantering at the finish, it is hardly | Colonies scattered over the face of the earth, and necessary to point out that he will take a lot of very few of them are governed in precisely the cular moment to the Colony. same way, or according to the same rules has the reputation of being a very unreliable | nearly every one differs in some respect. There are, however, three broad classes into which for political and other purposes, they are divided.

First there are the Crown Colonies, as they are called. There the entire legislative power is vested in the Queen—the appointment of the executive officers of the Government, and their control, is also vested in the Crown, and though there may be Legislative Assemblies of some sort they are not in any sense of the word representative. Such a Colony is Hongkong. I the protest and dissent of every member of the Here we have a Governor and officials all appointed by the Crown, or by the Governor on | Charter—the amended one published sometime behalf of the Crown; we have a Legislative last year-requires him to pass Ordinances Council, not one-half of whose members have I "by and with the consent of the Council," been elected by the people. The Crown has | and as vir read hit he must now have the not only the power to-veto all laws introduced, I consent of at least the majority of the Council. but has also the sole initiative, through the | But, as you know, he always has in the action of the Governor. In Hongkong, as you | Council an official majority, . The Council is know, we sometimes see an election of a member | constituted of a certain number, seven, I thinkof the Council, but although nominally, they are lof official members, and five unofficial members, not really so—it is not an election because the litwo of whom are elected—elected in the sense I gentlemen elected do not sit in the Council by [have just explained-and the other three are virtue of the election, they are simply nominated happointed by the Crown. Now all questions -one by the Chamber of Commerce and the Haffecting expenditure, taxation, the good order other by the Justices of the Peace, but the land proper Government of the colony, are Governor is perfectly at liberty to accept or hiprought forward and discussed by the Council,

by someone appointed by the Queen. You have I measure he may, think right, and the responsiseen lately how the question has been raised in ibility rests with him. . He, and he alone, is and it was decided against them. In these jofficial members are placed in a rather anoma-Colonies the officials are also nominated by the llous position—they are required, as members of Crown, who can remove them. But there are the Government and officers of Her Majesty, to also Legislative Assemblies, held under various wote in the Council exactly as 'His Excellency constitutions granted by the Crown, of which at may direct. They may be at liberty to express least one half must be elected.

2.541, last quarter 39 seconds—the "Pacha" as they are called, are responsible, not to the as could possibly be arranged; these bail for \$50 to keep the peace for three months. Coulburn sustained permanent injuries, many Pacha, carefully taking his place next the rails. I the laws of England, with all their rights and to me that it would be far better for the

or without the authority of the Crown, settled in North America in the old days, or, more recently, in Australia, they took with them all the rights, privileges, and responsibilities of English law. Of course in entirely barbarous or uninhabited countries there is no law except their own. But when they come to a place like Hongkong, in which there were some seven or eight thousand inhabitants, the question arises -what laws will prevail? Under some circumstances the native law would ordinarily prevail. If the country were simply occupied English law would invariably prevail, and it would depend entirely on the Crown how long, and to what extent, native laws and customs should be recognised. In a country ceded after war or conquest the question would be decided by the terms of the treaty—for instance, in Mauritius, which was conquered from the French, it was stipulated in the terms of cession that French laws and customs should prevail among the French. But there is one broad exception to this law. No law can prevail which violates in any degree the broad constitutional principles of English law and English freedom. When we took possession of many of the Spanish colonies in the West Indies torture was a part of the criminal law, but the moment Britain hoisted her flag, although Spanish law still prevailed in most respects, torture was abolished. It is within the prerogative of the Crown, too, to declare what laws shall prevail, unless conditions have been laid down in the cession. The Queen can say whether the native laws shall continue, or to what extent, and so on. Here in Hongkong, for instance, in April 1845, the Queen, through the Legislature, decreed that all laws in force up to that date should prevail. You may have heard the question raised,—it may arise again—that when Hongkong was ceded the officer who was then in command of the troops issued a proclamation in which he promised the Chinese inhabitants the observance of all their laws and customs. He did so-but subject to a reservation—"subject to Her Majesty's pleasure." The moment she declared it her pleasure that the place should be governed by English law the promise ceased to act, and from that day to this English law, and that alone, prevails here. There are many matters in which the Chinese have been allowed to follow their own customs and be guided by their own laws. We have never attempted to interfere in the least degree with their marriage customs, their habit of adopting children, their succession to property, etc. In some questions of course, like mercantile contracts, which have come before the Courts, their customs have been ignored, and the English interpretation applied to the contract, but so far as my experience—which is now getting somewhat considerable—goes, no questions of whether this woman is the wife of that man, whether an adopted child is to be recognised, whether

privileges. When a small body of men, with

you will see that we are subject to laws emanating from three or four, different sources. In every charter which Her Majesty grants to a colony it is laid down how it shall be governed, and on what foundations. It specifies what shall be the nature of the Legislative Assembly, how it is to be constituted; and with what power invested. But in all charters she always reserves to herself and her successors full power to legislate. in the Colony by her own Orders in Council, and to revoke and cancel the charter at any moment. The Imperial Parliament has supreme control, and can legislate for us, and does, whenever necessary, But by a recent Act of Parliament itself no Act: of the Imperial Parliament passed applies to all Crown Colonies—shall affect any Colony except that Colony is specifically menapply here, and no other, except where she is Mr. Francis said: -In accordance with a rule | included in the wording of it. Then again many greater portion of the Colonies; they arose out of special circumstances in England which do not exist, in the Colonies. So you see it would be difficult, even for an experienced lawyer, without discussion or judgments of the Courts to aid him, to say what particular Acts of Parliament would or would not apply at any parti-

Now with regard to the Imperial Parliament

succession to property is to be by Chinese custom

or English law, have come before the Courts.

But I have no doubt that if they do the English

In Crown Colonies, under such a constitution,

law, in all its integrity, will prevail.

legislating for us, which it does by an Order in Council. We have our own Legislative Assembly, with unlimited power to legislate. As a matter of fact, until quite recently the real and sole power of legislation was in the Governor himself. The Council had no power to do more than pass such. Acts as might be necessary. They could consult him in Council, but he had the power of passing any l Ordinance he might think necessary, in spite of Council. So far as I can understand, the last But, as you see, the Governor has the power, The second class of Colonies is also governed I through the official majority, of carrying any Queensland as to whether the Colonies should I responsible to Her. Majesty and to Parliament have a voice in the selection of their own governor, lifer the good government of the colony. These their own views on any measure that may be Then there is a third class, in which there is a brought forward hout you: will very rarely find responsible Government, in which the Legislature | them doing so-and indeed you can casily is elected by popular suffrage, and except the | conceive that it would be a difficult position if Governor, are appointed locally, and in which any of them expressed themselves in any degree galloped together; I timed the mile and a quarter | these officials, heads of departments. Ministers, popposed to a measure, and a terwards to have to vote in favor of it. The result is that in Crown occurred in connection with this " pow," As the The Australian Colonies are examples of such a mo fair, open, and thorough discussion of any ponies raced down by the village the old hack | class. In them the Crown has nothing but the right | measure the official members cannot it is

thrown openly and fairly on the Governor tremendous, piece of machinery indeed himself, for he is really the responsible person, removing an English Judge from the bench. other day, it is probably one of the most delicate instruments for governing ever invented. The Governor is possessed of absolute power, in that a good Governor never, or seldom, loses his official majority—he will so bring forward his measures, so consult his colleagues, so take the public into his confidence, that any measure which is really worth carrying will have been discussed and examined and approved by the majority of the | the colonists before it comes before the Council, or, if undesirable, it will probably be dropped, or at least reconsidered and amended. We have had such Governors in this Colony.' We have had Governors during whose reign there has been no such thing known as division in the Council, | what it is by their own industry and enterprise | and on the other hand we have had Governors | hould have so small a voice in the governunder whom every question was debated and ment of the Colony and the disposal of the divided upon, and passed with a minimum of asseut | funds. In a Colony of the kind I refer to and a maximum of dissatisfaction. Now the the power of the people would be such that Legislature whose measures produce such results | they could veto any undesirable measure can hardly be considered a success. In the |-they could assert themselves plainly, openly, executive government of a Colony Governors are | and | clearly, not, as now, be governed assisted by the Executive Council. In the old by an efficient majority whose opinions are days of this Colony, and most other places, as | entirely unknown. Attention was called in one shown by the Colonial List, this Council consists | of the local papers to the fact that the Straits of the officer commanding the troops, the Colonial | Settlements and some of the other Colonies Secretary, and the Attorney-General-seldom possess Associations with branches in London, any other. We find a number of other gentle- to look after their political and commercial The object aimed at-the securing for English men in the Council at present. It seems interests, and it was suggested that some such to me that the earlier form was the only | Association might usefully be formed here. sound and good one. The duties of the recommend that to your serious consideration-Council, as its very name implies, are to assist in | think well of it. (Loud applause.) the actual Government of the Colony. The Governor's duty, in addition to initiating all useful measures, is to supervise the action of the | lecture. heads of departments, whom he has the power to suspend, and in many cases to entirely remove. if necessary. He should supervise their performance of their functions. Some Governors adopt the theory that when they have a good staff of officials they should not interfere, but let them do their work in their own way and on their own responsibility. That does not always do. On the other hand there are Governors who are constantly interlering with the heads of departments, and are inclined to monopolise the whole of the duties of every department. We have had specimens of both kinds, and it seems to me that they were equally failing in the performance of their duties. Heads of departments must be supported, but only when they are right, and the Governor who does not take the trouble to investigate the complaints cannot very well know whether they are well founded or not. In all such matters he is -required by his instructions to have the assistance

composed largely of heads of departments, can assist him in the performance of that duty. The Council is conposed of the Colonial Secretary, who is of course the confidential counsellor of the Governor, the General commanding the troops, a man experienced in dealing with men and free from social influences, the Attorney-General, who, though the head of the legal department, is the Governor's adviser, and holds as independent a position as the Governor himself, and the heads of the departments. It has always seemed to me a mistake to have these last on the Council-a great departure from the representative formation of the body. It may be said that the Governor derives an immense advantage from having them by him. But he can learn anything he wants about any department by calling on the head for a report or having him up to give an explanation, and the Council can much more fairly, and thoroughly, and impartially discuss matters affecting that department in his absence. You see there is the Governor. with plenary authority, the Council, and the Legislature, subject to the Imperial Parliament, whose power is transmitted through the Secretary of State for the Colonies. You may know that every Act of Her Majesty must be countersigned by some other responsible person before it is operative. He is responsible for her Acts in his department, so she is bound, constitutionally, to follow his advice. If she does not, and the matter is sufficiently grave, he refuses his signature. So the real Government of the country is vested in these Secretaries of State. The Government of the Colonies is vested in one o them, although in these days of rapid dispatch, when every Governor may be said to be sitting

of the Executive Council, and it has always

been a puzzle to me how that Council, when

at the end of the telegraph wires, every initiative is left to them. The Secretaries of State, you know, change with the Ministry; every two or three years they go out of office, so the Government is really in the hands, not of the responsible Secretary of State, the man whose name is known to all the world, but in the hands of the permanent officials, whose names hardly ever are known out of the official circle, and whose responsibility is sheltered under the signature of their chief. There are three or four permanent Under Secretaries of State in the Colonial Department-each of them has half-adozen Colonies to look after, he keeps all the records, carries on the correspondence, is acquainted, more or less, with the officials, and as Secretaries of State succeed one another he is the only man who knows what has been dine, what has been proposed, and how the one is connected with the other (applause). One of the difficulties arising out of the Constitution of England, and to which Parliamentary Government is subject, is that that should be so,-that the government of this and every other Crown "Colony should rest in the hands of some practically-unknown gentleman sitting in his office in Downing Street, without practically any responsibility to anyone for what he does or advises, for it is impossible to bring the responsibility home to him, because whatever he does he does, not in his own name, but in that of the Secretary of State for the Colonies. You will see that a great many powers are concerned in the management of a Crown Colony. Of

Colonies themselves if the responsibility was I assented to by the Queen, so that it is a very and that the members of the Council should in the Colonies, for reasons which are probably be absolutely free-officials and unofficials- | wise they are removeable by the Governmentto discuss and criticise measures, and then if, in or rather they may be suspended and their cases face of their opinions, he wanted to push those remitted to the Privy Council for consideration, measures forward, make the responsibility of but the great safeguard against abuse of power declaring them law test on him. The position of | -for cases do sometimes occur where Governors Legislative Councils at present is both curious suspend Judges—is that when the case comes and difficult. As it was described to me the hefore the Privy Council the Governor is himself on his trial, and if he fails to justify his act he himself will be removed from his post. All other officers he may suspend.

Now I think I have shown briefly how we are governed-if I may add a little advice it would be that we should try and raise the status of this colony from that of a Crown List, and get representative institutions, duties.

a Legislature elected by the people, the power of clicting our own officers, and the control of the Executive. In a colony of the wealth and importance to which Hongkong is rising it seems very hard that the people who have made it

On the motion of the President a cordial vote of thanks was awarded to Mr. Francis for his

Dr. Cantlie intimated that the next meeting of the Society would be held in Bank Buildings, when n-discussion would be opened by Mr. Judd on 'The advantages and disadvantages of travel

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.]

THE STEAM LAUNCH "CORNER."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG, TELEGRAPH." SIR,--I trust you will not take it amiss if venture to ask space for a word on behalf of the other side of this share speculation question; I refer to the holders and buyers. I assure you that I have never owned, bought, or sold a share in the Steam Launch Company. My convictions are in entire accord with your own as to the doubtful business soundness of the enterprise and I believe that, unsupported by the Government, it cannot pay expenses; but at the same time I maintain that people have a perfect right to invest in it, buy as cheaply as they can, sell for what they can get, or continue to hold if they

In the first place I think it a reasonable assumption that the short seller goes in for the purpose of making money. I am willing to acquit him, Sir, of any special designs on my purse or on yours, but he does not sell out of pure philanthrophy. Having no shares himself he agrees to deliver to another shares which belong to you and me. When delivering time approaches he finds perhaps that we are not disposed to sell these shares as cheaply as he' anticipated and he is injured, indignant and "cornered." He has not scrupled to cry down our project and depreciate it; he will insist now that we have no moral right to decline to sell at what he considers a just value; he will use all means in his power to render us odious, disreputable, infamous. The man who sells your property without consulting you must be content to take his chance; he should not complain if he has to pay dearly for it.

When this Company was first formed I was asked to subscribe, and I consented to take a few shares, but on being told at the finish that there were plenty of applicants who would be glad of my allotment I withdrew, with thanks.

Although I had little faith in its immediate earning power I thought it was a move in the right direction and was willing to give it such support as I could afford. It was not intended. I understood, as a medium for speculation, but seemed to me to tend in every way towards the public weal. If it came at last to pay, so much the better; no one was injured and its promoters got no more than their deserts.

I was struck by the remark of a philosopher the other evening-" all true prosperity springs from the soil." I agree with this sentiment almost unreservedly, but of course allow there may be a few exceptions; the Codfish industry. for instance, is a large and legitimate one. Its

aristocracy is well represented in our midst. The Steam Launch helps the spread of civilization, opens up navigation, fosters commerce, and assists the farmer as well as the sailor or mechanic.

I do not believe in this tendency towards hazardous speculation. It is, as yoursay, gam bling pure and simple, and should be legislated against, but if there is a side to it less vicious than the other, it is, in my opinion, the sid which buys with its hard money, sells for what it can, or holds at its discretion, I am, Sir,

Yours faithfully,

SPECULATOR. Hongkong, 28th January, 18°9.

HONGKONG SEAMENS CHAP-

The following is the report for 1888: 24 Committee: Hon. J. Bell-Irving, Captain Rumsey, R.N.; W. H. Forbes, Esq., Rt. Rev. Bishon Burdon.

course in addition to those I have mentioned | Hongkong has now been carried on by the Rev. | your and your readers to draw your own infer- | not the KOWLOON HOTEL, there are the superior Courts. In each Colony A. G. Goldsmith for three years. During that there is one or more-and that is the great time he has thoroughly gained the confidence aries there are none of other nationalities in this safeguard and protection Englishmen have of the Trustees and Committee of the Sailors! country at present. Since the presence of miswherever they go. The law is supreme over Home and has also won his way among the sionaries in Korea is forbidden, my friend asked, every person and everything-everyone, from Seamen who have visited the Port. Every means the Governor down, has to submit to the dictates possible has been employed to interest and work is not prohibited? or to Japan, where it is of the law, and is amenable to its jurisdiction, benefit the Sailors. Religious Services have been at least tolerated?" It was long contended that the Governor of held both on Sundays and week-days, ashore I think there would be a fine field of labour for a Colony is not responsible—cannot be held to | and affort. There have been weekly Concerts answer in the Courts within that Colony over and Temperance Meetings in the Reading Room | but I date say they would find less comfortable which he has jurisdiction, but it has been of the Sallors! Home; and the Home itself and decided over and over again, in fact recently, the ships bave been regularly visited. During gold-mining in Massamp appears to be knocked that a Governor who is guilty of any wrongful the year just closed, Mr. Goldsmith reports on the head again; the little work, carried on nct is liable to be cited before the Courts there | having paid 773 visits; on board ships in the or in England. He is not a Viceroy—the Harbour, holding short Services where possible;

prerogative—he is simply a deputy, holding the forecastle. power by the Commission. Under the Charter | The attendance of sailors at St. Peter's Sea- working ; then the country would be enriched and Office of the Company, No. 18, Bank Buildings; of this Colony he exercises of course the prero- | mens' Church has kept up well during the year. gative of life and death, of signing death-warrants, | The number of communicants has been 501, an granting pardons, remitting fines, dealing with i increase over last year of more than 100. This Crown lands, he signs all warrants for the issue Indicates that many more seamen than formerly of public money, and initiates all public measures. have avail d themselves of this Sacred Service. He has the power of suspending every official, and it is an encouraging sign of good being done, including even the Judges, and there is one. There is an offertory of St. Peter's every Sunday peculiarity, and one alone, in which our Courts at the close of the morning and evening Services, and Judges differ from those in England. There to which the sailors contribute; a dan addition, and no skates in England. There to which the sailors contribute; a dan addition, and no skates in England. There to which the Chaplain has received from sailors. Mr. Michell has gone once more to Shill bee petition of the House of Commons, concurred in during the year sums amounting to aloo for

by the House of Lord, and addressed to and | Church work, a proof of their appreciation of the

religious efforts put forth on their behalf. 51 bags of reading books have been sent away with out ward-bound ships. To keep up the supply needed to meet the constant demand for good literature, the Chaplain appeals to those who take in the Illustrated, Papers, Magazines, &c, in the hope they may be able to spare some, which after doing duty in the Reading Room, might be sent

The work has grown to such an extent that Mr. Goldsmith has been for some time seeking means to support a Scripture Render to assist him in visiting the ships. By persevering elforts he has succeeded, and he has now engaged the services of Mr. Edward Makeham, signalman on board H.M.S. "Constance," who concludes to years' service in H.M. Navy on January 31st. Mr. Makeham is expected to arrive in Hong-Colony pure and simple to that of Class B in kong shortly and will at once enter on his

> The Chaplain has been making, as is well known, strenuous efforts during the year towards securing, if possible, the Sunday rest for Merchant Seamen and their Officers' while in Hongkong Harbour. There has been practically "no Sunday" in the Harbour for Merchant Ships since the opening of the Port. This has been caused probably by the fact that the Chinese have no such day, and are found willing to work at any time in loading and unloading ships; and as this facilitated business and profit, the departure from English custom in this Port became fixed, and all attempts to interfere with it have hitherto failed. . Whether any plan can now be adopted to secure the Sunday rest for the sailor while in Harbour, here remains to be seen, but it is earnestly hoped that the recent agitation of the question will not be found to be in vain. sailors, who are often confined to their ships for weeks at a time, the Englishman's right and privilege, while in Hongkong Harbour, of a weekly day of rest-is well worth the serious consideration and united efforts of the Government and Shipping Firms of Hongkong.

Warmest thanks are due and are hereby tendered to those friends, whether here or in England, who have so liberally contributed to the expenses of the year just closed. Appeal is again made for help during another year. The Committee of the Sailors' Home have most kindly undertaken to furnish the allowance nowards house rent, which this Fund has hitherto supplied, but the remaining expenses will still have to be met by voluntary contributions. It is not anticipated that there will be any difficulty in raising the small amount required for a Seamen's Chaplain in Past, where in 1887, according to the Harbour Muster's Report, no less than 4,078 vessels, representing more than four and a half million tons, arrived and passed on to other

HONGKONG SEAMEN'S CHAPLAINCY ACCOUNTS FOR 1888.

Balance from previous Account\$ 299 81 Donations as per List 2,390.70 Interest on current Account from Hongkong and Shanghai Bank to June 30th

to December 31st...

Expenditure. Salary of Chaplain\$1,600.00 Less paid by Missions to Seamen's Society London £40= 261.74

--\$1,338.26 Allowance to Chaplain for house rent from January to October (inclusive) at \$50 a month

Hire of Steam Launch for the Sundays of the year, at \$30 a month..... Four Boatmen's wages at \$26 a month Repairs of Chaplain's Gig..... Printing 200 copies of last year's Report

and Stationery Balance carried forward

> J. S. BURDON, Bishop, Treasurer.

Examined and found correct. Vouchers compared with entries and found in order.

FRED. T. P. FOSTER, Auditor.

KOREA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

FUSAN, 9th January, 1889. Our new Chinese Consul, Mr. Li Un-wang, formerly attached to the Legation in Soul, has arrived here recently, and has made a very favourable impression. I regret to state that we are about to lose the chancelier of the Japanese Consulate, who has endeared himself in this place to everybody who had the privilege of becoming acquainted with him. He is transferred, on promotion, as acting Vice-Consul at Chefoo. He has been very painstaking in teaching the rising generation of Fusan the Queen's English, but I fear, with only indifferent success.

Mr. Ni Shan-un, an attaché of the recalled Korean Mission, ill-advised, as it were, to Washington, passed through here, on his way to Soul, to report to the Throne the failure and fiasco of that unfortunate affair. Mr. Ni Shan-iin' wears European clothes, and wears them well-I think I had better have written American clothes. The Minister himself is sick in Tokio; perhaps he wants the storm "to blow over a little," before, he ventures back to Soul; his sickness is supposed to be Fabris diplomatica. In Tokio some nice little diplomatic connections can be formed to be useful for some future complications. / Tokio is a very fine place in Dal-Nippon; in fact, I believe, it is the capital of

beautiful , Japan, The other day I had occasion to converse with a very well informed native on the Missionary questions: According to treaties missionaries are first floor, philosoff in heart floor, not allowed in Korea, but here they are, all the same. My native friend expressed himself largely Cheplain :- Rev. A. Gurney Goldsmith, M.A. in favour of the French Fathers. You know The work of the Seamen's Chaplaincy in very well that I am not a Romanist, and I leave ences. Besides American and French mission-"why don't they go to China, where missionary."

some of them in Formosa amongst the savages, quarters with their families than in Soul. The there has never been carried out methodically. representative of the Queen, invested with royal sometimes in the Captain's cabin, sometimes in Massampo, is a few hundred Californian or Koreans, if dealt with once more by foreign purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors professional miners, would yield good returns. together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring The cold here is quite exceptionable for our a Dividend, and Electing Auditors. place 1-five degrees Calsius below freezing point: The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company,

> about his timber contract in donnection with the Korean forests and Dagelet Island,

I am glad the N. Y. Kaisha have ordered uniforms to be worn by their officers; people having business on board now know whom toaddress, without bothering other parties on board; the innovation is certainly a great improvement on which the Company may be justly congratulated. - Shanghai Mercury.

CHILDREN starving to death on account of their inability to digest food will find a most marvellous food and remedy, in Scott's Emulsion of Pure Cod Liver Oil with Hypophosphites. Very palatable and easily digested. Read the following testimonial :- "I have prescribed 'Scott's Emulsion in cases of children suffering from wasting and mal-nutrition and can report most favourably of its good effect; it has been in each case taken most readily."-W. PERKINS, M.R.C.S. Medical Superintendent, Butleigh Hospital. Any Chemist can supply it.—A. S. Watson & Co. (Limited), agents in Hongkong and China. -[Advi.

Co-day's Advertisements.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI AND KOBE. (Passing through the INLAND SEA.) THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

்." GWALIOR " will leave for the above places on FRIDAY, the 8th February, at NOON.

E. L. WOODIN, Superintendent. Hongkong, 30th January, 1889.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship "SHANNON"

will leave for the above place about 24 hours | will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and after her arrival with the next outward English | expense. E. L. WOODIN.

Superintendent. Hongkong, 30th January, 1889. STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, PORT SAID, MALTA, MAR-SEILLES, GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI,

ANCONA, VENICE, PLYMOUTH,

AND LONDON:

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N.B.-CARGO CAN. BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS, MARSHILLES, TRIESTE, HAM-BURG, NEW YORK AND BOSTON.

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THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship "PENINSULAR," Captain H. Wyatt, with Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for LONDON, VIA BOMBAY and SUEZ CANAL, on WEDNESDAY, the 13th February, at Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4(P,M) Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until 4 P.M., on the day before sailing. Silk and Valuables for Europe will the transhipped at Colombo: Tea and General Cargo for London will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the ordinary direct route via Colombo. For further particulars regarding FREIGHT and PASSAGE apply to the PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL

The Contents and Value of Packages are, required to be declared prior to shipment. Shippers are particularly requested to note !! the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading.

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hong-

E. L. WOODIN, Superintendent. P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,

Hongkong, 30th January, 1880

NORTH CHINA FAMINE RELIEF FUND.

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION will be happy to RECEIVE SUBSCRIPTIONS to the above fund and transmit same to the Shanghai Committee." Hongkong, 30th January, 1889.

BUNGALOW in a Garden at Kowloon, A with Lawn Tennis Court attached. situated on the Dock Bay. Apply to

F. V. RIBEIRO. Hongkong, 30th January, 1889.

ETLAND LODGE.

A N EMERGENCY MEETING of the above I'L LODGE will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on SATURDAY NEXT, the 2nd February, at 5 for 5.30 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited. Hongkong, 30th January, 1879

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THE Company's Offices have This Day been 1. REMOVED to BEACONSPIELD ARCADE, G. G. CHAMPEAUX

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Hongkong, 28th January, 1889.

C. L. ROUCH.....MANAGER. A 7 INE and SPIRITS of the best quality. ENGLISH & AMERICAN BILLIARD TABLES, BOWLING ALLEYS, TENNIS

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO del STEAMBOAT COMPANY, AND SELECTION

Hongkong, 21st January, 1889.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS to do to or in a scientific way. What is wanted it THE FORTY-FIFTH ORDINARY HALF YEARLY MEETING of SHARE Australian miners, capital, and systematical HOLDERS in the Company will be held at the benefitted by her mineral wealth. / Even the Queen's Road Central, on SATURDAY, the gold-bearing river sands, already worked by the | 2nd February, at 12 O'CLOCK NOON, for the

Our harbour in perfectly clear of ice, but it is will be ChoseD from soil instant to and tantal ting to see our biddy-fields frozen over (February Inclusives) 27/13/11 By Order of the Board of Directors,

ARNOLD, CHIEF LIVINGSTON & GO. Hongleone Tatti January, 1889. Secretary

Consignees.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. STEAMSHIP "CARMARTHENSHIRE," FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP,

LONDON, &c. ONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all goods, are being landed at their spot, on risk, into the Godowns of the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON, TO-

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 3rd proximo, will be subject to rent. All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 3rd proximo, or they will not be recognised. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Hongkong, 28th January, 1889.

CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES STEAMSHIP "BATAVIA," FROM VANCOUVER, YOKOHAMA, AND

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their

Goods, from alongside. 'Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,

Agents. Hongkong, 24th January, 1809

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY. NOTICE.

ONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship "CITY OF NEW YORK." The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from along-

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. CHAS. D. HARMAN,

Hongkong, 29th January, 1889.

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FOR SALE, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL WATERBURY WATCHES. the Handiest, Cheapest, and Best Time-keepers invented. PRICE THREE DOLLARS EACH \$3

REPAIRS NEVER EXCEED 50 CENTS for each Watch. Orders from Outports to be accompanied with Remittance for Cost.

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Auctions.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION,

No. 35. THE following Particulars of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the

MONDAY. the 11th day of February, 1889, at 4 P.M., are published for general information. By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART, Colonial Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office,

Hongkong, 26th January, 19 9 Particulars of the letting by Public Auction

Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 11th day of February, 1889, at 4 P.M., by Order of His Excellency; the Governor, of One Lot o CROWN LAND, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 999 Years.

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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION,

THE following Particulars of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the TUESDAY,

the 5th day of February, 1888, at 5 P.M., are

published for general information.

By Command, FREDERICK STEWART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 26th January, 1889.

Particulars of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on TUESDAY, the 5th day of February, 1889, at 5 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years.

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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION

THE following Particulars of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on

WEDNESDAY the 13th day of February, 1888, at 4 P.M., are; published for general information.

By Command, FREDERICK STEWART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 26th January, 1889.

Particulars of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on WEDNESDAY, the 13th day of February, 1889, at 4 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 999 Years.

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No. 618, S.C.

A NEMERGENCY MEETING of the abovenamed Lodge will be held in FREEMAsons' HALL, Zetland Street, on SATURDAY. the and proximo, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1889. LODGE

REGULAR MEETING of the above, LODGE will be held in FREEMARONS HALL, Zetland Street, on TUESDAY NEXT. the 5th February, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. procisely, Visiting Brethren are cordially invited. Hongkong, 29th January, 1889.

Commercial.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS. Hongkong and Shanghai Bank-169 per cent. premium, buyers. Union Insurance Society of Canton-\$120 per share, sellers.

China Traders' Insurance Company-\$80 per share, buyers. North China Insurance-Tls. 290 per share, buyers.

Canton Insurance Company, Limited-\$120 per share, sellers. Yangtsze Insurance Association-Tls. 97 per

share, buyers. Chinese Insurance Company-\$165 per share, On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150,

Mongkong Fire Insurance Company -\$365 per share, buyers. China Fire Insurance Company-\$81 per share,

Mongkong and Whampoa Dock: Company, 36 per cent. premium, sellers. Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co. -\$226} per share, sellers.

China and Manila Steam Ship Company-17 per share, buyers. Hongkong Gas Company—\$135 per share, sellers. Hongkong Hotel Company,-\$170 per share,

Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited-12] per cent. dis., buyers. Douglas Steamship Company-\$66 per share,

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited-\$207 per share, sellers. Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited-\$86

per share, sales. Hongkong Ice Company-\$101 per share, sellers. Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited, -\$80 per share. Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited-\$121 per

thare, sellers. A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—100 per cent. Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B-21 per cent. premium, sellers. Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C-5 per cent

premium, buyers. Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E-11 per cent. Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$97 per share, buyers.

Perak Tin Mining and Smelting Company-\$5 per share, nominal. Punjom and Sunghie Dua Samantan Mining Co. -\$10} per share, sellers. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godowa

Company—90 per cent. premium, buyers.
Tonquin Coal Mining Co.—100 per cent. premium, The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited-250 per cent. premium, nominal. The East Borneo Planting Co., Limited-\$50

per share, sellers. The Songei Koyah Planting Co., Ld., -\$35 per share, nominal. Cruickshank & Co., Ld., -\$45 per share, sellers. The Steam Launch Co., Limited-roc per cent.

premium, nominal. The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Co., Ltd. -40 per cent. dis., nominal. The China-Borneo Co., Ld., \$60 per share,

EXCHANGE. ON LONDON --- Bank T T

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On Shanghai.— Bank, T. T......71 Private; 30 days! sight72\$

OPIUM MARKET.—THIS DAY NEW MALWA, per picul......\$680

(Allowance, Taels 4 to 32). OLD MALWA, per picul......\$690 (Allowance, Taels 16 to 32). NEW PATNA, (without choice) per chest ... \$580 New Patna, (first chelce) per chest \$582} NEW PATNA, (bottom) per chest \$593 NEW PATNA, (second choix) per chest... \$579 NEW BENARES, (without choice) per chest \$5571 New Benares, (bottom) per chest...... New Persian (best quality) per picul. \$550

OLD PERSIAN (best quality) per picul..... \$500 OLD PERSIAN (second quality) per picul... \$475 MAILS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer Shannon. with the English mail of the 28th ultimo, left Singapore on the 28th instant, and may be expected here on the 3rd proximo. THE FRENCH MAIL

The M. M. steamer Diemnah, with the French mail of 20th ultimo, left Singapore on the 24th instant, at noon, and may be expected here on or about the 31st. THE AMERICAN MAILS,

The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Belgic, from San Francisco to date the 5th instant, left Yokohama on the 26th instant for this port, and may be expected here on or about the 1st proximo. The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer City of Paking, with the American mail, left San Francisco on the 15th instant, and is expected here on or about

the 15th proximo. THE CANADIAN MAIL. The steamer Parthia left Vancouver for Japan and China on the 22nd instant.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The P. & Q. S. N. Co.'s steamer Gwaller, from Bombay, left Singapore for this port on the 25th instant, and is due here on the 31st.

The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer Dardanus, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 25th instant, and is due here on the 1st proximo. The C. S. M. S. N. Co.'s new steamer Canfa, from Glasgow and Liverpool, left Singapore for this port on the 27th instant, and may be expected | Augusta, German bark, 473, Jessen, 5th Dec., here on or about the 2nd proximo.

The D. D. R. steamer Iphigenia, from Hamburg, lest Singapore at noon on the 28th instant, | BENGALE, British bark, 544, Scott, 17th Jan., and may be expected here on the 4th proximo. The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s extra steamer Khiva lest Bombay on the 26th instant, and is expected here on or about the 10th proximo.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama.—Per Verona, on Friday, the 1st Feb., at 11.30 A.M. For Straits and London.-Per Glenearn, on

Saturday, the 2nd Feb., at 11.30 A.M. For Straits and Calcutta. - Per Taisang, on Monday, the 4th Feb., at 11.30 A.M. For Europe, &c., Australia, India, via Madras. -Per Oxus, on Wednesday, the 6th Feb., at \$1.00 A.M.

Shipping.

PEKING, German steamer, 954, G. Heuermann,

20th Jan.,-Whampoa 29th Jan., General.-Siemssen & Co. KWONGSANG, British steamer, 989, Sellar, 29th Jan.,—Whampoa 20th Jan., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

MARIE, German steamer, 704, C. A. Hundewadt, 29th Jan., - Haiphong 27th Jan., Ricc. -A. R. Marty.

HAITAN, British steamer, 1,183, S. Ashton, 30th Jan.,-Foochow 27th Jan., Amoy 28th, and Swatow 20th, General.—D. Lapraik & Co. Cockcliarer, British gunboat, 450, Lieut.-Commander E. E. Maxwell, 30th Jan.,-Pagoda Anchorage 27th January.

BISAGNO, Italian steamer, 1,499, Tognasso, 30th January,-Bombay, and Singapore 22nd Jan., General.—Carlowitz & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE, Devawongse, British steamer, for Bangkok. Duke of Westminster, British steamer, for Singapore, &c.

Ingraban, German steamer, for Saigon.

January 30, Frejr, Danish steamer, for Hai-January 30, Wyr ern; British str., for Saigon. lanuary 30, Zafiro, British steamer, for Manila. January 30, Bengal, British steamer, for Singapore, &c.

January 30, Wolf, German gunboat, for a cruise. January 30, Iton, French bark, for Honolulu. January 30, Duke of Westminster, British atr., OF WHICH 15,000 SHARES ARE OFTERED TO for Singapore, &c.

PASSENGERS-ARRIVED.

Per Marie, str., from Haiphong,-Mr. O. von der Heyde, and 46 Chinese. Per Haitan, str., from Foochow, &c -- Messrs. Scott and Ollia, and 15 Chinese. Per Bisagno, str., from Bombay, &c .- 1 European and 200 Chinese.

Per Bengal, str., from Hongkong for Singapore.-Revs. F. Studd and Thos. Marshall, For Bombay.-Mr. Chue Pack Yoong. For Brindisi.-Mr. E. H. Melbye. For London.-Miss Hay Chapman and Mr. E. L. Hawyes. For London via Marseilles.-Messrs. D. Tulloch, H. Munroe, and Myers. From Shanghai for Singapore.-E. Ollerdesen. For Bombay.-Mr. Thos. Lang. For London.-Mr. and Mrs. McClure and 2 children, and Mr E. Gipperich. From Yokohama for Bombay.-Surgeon H. Brown. For London.-Mr. Matsumoto Akitso. For Marseilles.-Messrs. Yoshida Jiro and

The British steamship Haitan reports that she left Foochow on the 27th instant at 3.30p.m., Amoy on the 28th, and Swatow on the 29th. Had strong north-east winds and thick misty rain; thence to Amoy had fresh north-east winds and clear weather with rough sea. From Amoy to Swatow had strong north-east winds and overcast sky with moderate sea. From Swatow to port had moderate north-east winds and dull gloomy weather with smooth sea. In Foochow, the steamship Chingwo. In Swatow, the steamships Chefoo, Toonan, Choysang, Namoa and the Chinese revenue cruiser Ping-ching.

-SHIPPING-IN-HONGKONG.-STEAMERS APENRADE, German steamer, 1,473, Hohlmann,

21st Jan.,-Nagasaki 17th Jan., Coal.-BATAVIA, British steamer, 2,548, Hugh W. Auld, 23rd Jan.,-Vancouver 25th Dec., Yokohama 16th January, and Kobe 18th, Gene-

ral.—Adamson, Bell & Co. BENLARIG, British steamer, 2,265, Freeman, 21st Jan .- Cardiff 4th Dec, and Singapore 14th Jan., Coals.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

CHOWFA, British steamer, 1,055, F. W. Phillips 27th Jan.,-Bangkok 18th Jan., Rice and General.—Scottish Oriental S. S. Co. CITY OF NEW YORK, American steamer, 3,029, R. R. Searle, 29th Jan.,—San Francisco

29th Dec., and Yokohama 23rd Jan., Mails and General.-P. M. S. S. Co. DECIMA, German steamer, 965, W. Breitung 28th Jan., Singapore 18th Jan., Sugar. Siemssen & Co.

ALKENBURG, German steamer, 989, H. Weber, 24th Jan.,-Hoihow 23rd Jan., General.-FAME, British steamer, 117, A. Stopanl—Hongkong and Whampon Dock Co.

Fushiki Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,219 Franck 25th Jan ,—Nagasaki 19th January, Coals. —M. B. Kaishia.

HAILOONG, British steamer, 783, J. S. Roach, 29th Jan, -Foochow 26th Jan., Amoy 27th, and Swatow 28th, General,-D. Lapraik Ingraban, Geri: an steamer, 894, J. R. Mass

mann, 24th Jan.,-Saigon 10th January General and Paddy.-Wieler & Co. Jan.,-Macao 29th Jan., General.-Wieler lighting.

MELITA, German steamer, 339, H. Mörck, 9th Jan.,—Halphong 5th Jan., Rice.—Wieler PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stopani.-Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

PROVINCIA, British steamer, 1,095, Mackenzie 29th Jan.,-Kudat 8th Jan., and Singapore 21st. Timber.—Captain. TAISANO, British steamer, 1,505, W. H. Jackson,

29th Jan., Calcutta, and Singapore 21st Jan., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co. TAIYUAN, British steamer, 1,500, A. Varden, 13th Jan., Wellington, N.Z., 24th Novand Sourabaya 25th Dec., General.—Butter,

field & Swire. TRIUMPH, German steamer, 674, P. Moos, 27th Jan., Haiphong 24th January, and Hoihow 25th, Rice, Pigs, and General .-- Wieler

ERONA, British steamer, 1870, M. de Horne, from Japan. Mails and General.-P. & O. S. J N. Co.

ADAM W. SPIES, American bark, 1,171, A. D. Field, 22nd Jan.,-Newcastle, N.S.W., 3rd Dec., Coals.—Russell & Co.

-Iloilo 18th Nov., Sanpanwood.-Ed. Schellhass & Co. -Singapore 24th Sept., Timber.-Mel-

chers & Co. COLOMA, American bark, 852, C. M. Wages, 24th Dec.,-Portland (Oregon) and Nov., Lumber and Spars.-Captain.

EME, British bark, 778, W. Summers, 23rd Melchers & Co.+ ESCORT, American bark, 636, Waterhouse, 20th | that as wide a distribution of the shares shall Jan., -- Honolulu 14th December, Ballast, ---

For Saigon.—Per Triumph, on Friday, the IRIS, British schooner, 206, H. C. Swan, 21st Ian .. - Freemantle, W.A., 26th Nov., Sandalwood. -Siemsten & Co. JOHN NICHOLSON, British steamer, 685, W.

Quine, 18th Dec.,-Honolulu 16th Nov., Ballast.—Captain. Krrry, British bark, 803, W. R. Laird, 8th Jan., -Haiphong 7th December, Ballast D.

Intimations.

CHINA-NEW YEAR BANK HOLIDAY, IN accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, the Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business, TO-MORROW, the 31st January.
For the CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF India, London, and China,

JOHN THURBURN, Manager, Hongkong. For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, Australia, and China, T. H. WHITEHEAD,

Manager, Hongkong. For the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking CORPORATION, G. E. NOBLE,

Chief Manager. For the COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS, CHANTREY INCHBALD, Agent, Hongkong. For the New Oriental Bank Corporation,

E. W. RUTTER, Manager, Hongkong. Hongkong, 26th January, 1888. THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL\$300,000 DIVIDED INTO 30,000 SHARES OF . SIO KACH.

THE PUBLIC. (The remaining 15,000 Shares have been taken up on the same terms as the Shares

now offered to the Public.) PAYMENT TO BE AS FOLLOWS :--ON APPLICATION\$1. ON ALLOTMENT.....\$1.

The Balance at call (on One Month's notice being given) as required to meet drafts for purchase of Plant and otherwise for the purposes and the extension of the business of the

Company. Applications for shares, accompanied by deposit of \$1 per share, must be sent in to THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION OR OF before the 12th, day of

February, 1889. DIRECTORS: THE HONORABLE JOHN BELL IRVING. THE HONORABLE CATCHICK PAUL

CHATER. THE HONORABLE BENDYSHE LAYTON." HENRY LISTON DALRYMPLE, Esq. LORENZ POESNECKER, Esq.

-ALFRED-PARKER STOKES, Esq.

BANKERS: THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

SOLICITORS: MESSRS. SHARP, JOHNSON AND STOKES.

THE principal object for which this Company has been formed is to supply the city of Victoria, Kowloon and the Peak with the ELECTRIC LIGHT. A subsidiary object is the supply of electric motor power wherever it may be required, and negociations are now being carried on with the Government to supply the necessary power for pumping water from the Albany Tank to a reservoir or tank to be

established at the Peak. The advantages of the ELECTRIC LIGHT are so well recognised that but little need be said on the subject. It is, however, peculiarly adapted for use here on account of its being almost entirely free from heat and unaffected by wind, and also on account of its almost perfect freedom from danger by fire.

Estimates of working expenses, cost of supply, &c., have been carefully gone into and the Directors have no doubt that the light can be supplied at rates which will compare favourably with the price paid for gas in the Colony, while for quality, power and convenience, the light OHANN, German steamer, 428, H. Binge, 29th will be much superior to any other kind of

In the estimates are included cost of sufficient engine power, plant, &c., for Electric Street lighting on the well known Arc System. Negociations, with a good prospect of success, sie being carried on with the Government for a contract for this purpose.

A very suitable site for the Engine-house required for the Machinery has been purchased and will be made over to the Company at cost

It is proposed to order from England at once the necessary plant and dynamos on the latest and most approved principle adopted in England and America. The London Electric Supply Company are at present engaged in installing in London a plant to supply 250,000 lights on

The Income will of course depend much the number of lights supplied, but as the price will be, light for light, less than gas, there can be no doubt that the electric light will be generally adopted. If but 3,000 burners are made use of, it is believed that the Company will be able to pay a satisfactory dividend, and this dividend will increase with the increase in the demand for the light.

The value of the shares has been fixed at \$10 with the view of bringing the shares within the PAINTS, OILS and VARNISH. reach of all of the community who are likely to use the light, and who will thus have a better Jan.,-London and October, General - opportunity of becoming shareholders than if the shares were of a higher value. It is intended be made as possible.

> No promotion money will be paid. For prospectus and for forms of application

for shares, apply to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

Messrs, GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Dated the 24th day of January, 1880. STEAMERS EXPECTED IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.	FROM.	DATE DUE.	AGENTS.
Djemnah	Marseilles	Tanuary 21st	Messageries Maritimes
Gwalior	Bombay	anuary sist	P. & C. S. N. Co.
Dardanus	Liverpool	February 1st	Butterfield & Swire.
Belgic			
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Shannon	London	February 3rd	P. & O. S. N. Co.
[[phigenia	Hamburg	February 4th	Siemssen & Co.
Khiva	Bombay	February 10th	P. & O. S. N. Co.
City of Pcking	San Francisco	February 15th	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.
Parthia	Vancouver	February 20th	Adamson, Bell & Co.

STEAMERS LOADING IN HONGKONG.

DESTINATION.	vessēls.	agents.	DATE OF LEAVING.
London, via Suez Canal			February 2nd.
London, via Suez Canal London, via Suez Canal	Chingwo	Amhold, Karberg & Co. Jardine, Matheson & Co.	About Jan. 30th.
Marseilles, via Salgon, &c.	Oxus	Messageries Maritimes.	Feb. 6th, at noon.
Havre and Hamburg, &c Bremen, & Ports of Call		Adamson, Bell & Co Melchers & Co	About Jan. 31st.
Genoa, via Bombay, &c	Bisagno	Carlowitz & Co	About Feb. 8th.
San Francisco, via Y'hama		Pacific Mail S. S. Co	Feb. 6th, at 1 p.m.
San Francisco, via Yhama Vancouver, B.C., via A., &c.		O. & O. S. S. Co Adamson, Bell & Co	Feb. 7th, at 3 p.m.
Sydney, Melbourne, &c	Tsinan	Butterfield & Swire	Feb. 8th, at 4 p.m.
Calcutta, via Straits Sandakan, &c., via S'porc.	Memnon	Butterfield & Swire	Feb. 4th, at noon. Feb. 5th, at 4 p.m.
Yokohama, via N'saki, &c.	Verona	P. & O. S. N. Co	Feb. 1st, at noon.
Shanghai, Kobe, &c		Butterfield & Swire	February 3rd.
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Intimations.

PIANO TUNER AND REPAIRER.

Address: c|o HONGKONG HOTEL or No. 22, ELGIN STREET. Hongkong, 24th December, 1883.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

pany will be held at the Company's Office, No.

5, Queen's Road, Victoria, at 3.15 O'CLOCK P.M.,

of the 19th day of February, 1889, when the

RESOLUTION.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING

CORPORATION.

the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will

be held CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY,

the 23rd day of February next, at 12 O'CLOCK

NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report

of the Court of Directors together with a State-

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING

CORPORATION.

NTOTICE is hereby given that the

Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY,

the 9th, to SATURDAY, the 23rd, February

next, (both days inclusive) during which period.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

X JEEKLY SPOON COMPETITION will

February, 3.30 P.M., 500 Yards range—10 Shots.

Entrance Fee 10 Cents, to be paid to the

MASONIC BALL, 1889.

CITY HALL, on FRIDAY, the 15th February.

and \$5 for each Guest invited (non-Masons.)

Hongkong, 28th January, 1889.

of its Branches in Borneo.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1889.

and TIMBER MERCHANTS.

Hongkong, and September, 1888

Always on Hand.

Mongiores, seth June, 1881,

The Subscription is limited to \$10 for Masons

ALF. WOOLLEY.

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY.

LIMITED

THIS Company having PURCHASED the

MILL Co. (Ltd.), Bowrington, are prepared to

Contract for the Supply of Borneo and other

(Limbers, in Logs of sawn to any dimensions, at

short notice. The Company are also prepared

to undertake General Agency Business at any

A. G. GORDON & CO.

I NGINEERS. LAUNCH BUILDERS

GENERAL | and GOVERNMENT

CONTRACTORS, IRONMONGERS, COM-

MISSION AGENTS, VALUATORS, IRON

BOWRINGTON, EAST POINT.

OFFICE:

CORNER OF PEDDER STREET AND PRAYA.

STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED

HONGKONG TIMBER

YARD, WANCHAI.

REGON PINE SPARS and LUMBER

L MALLORY.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents in Hongkong and China.

MILLS from the HONGKONG STRAM SAW

Register keeper on the ground before firing.

take place next SATURDAY, 2ND

A. SHELTON HOOPER

Hon. Sec.

· Hon. Secretary.

no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors.

Hongkong, 24th January, 1889.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1889.

to the undersigned.

REGISTERS OF SHARES of the

ment of Accounts to 31st December, 1888,

By Order of the Court of Directors,

Hongkong, 24th January, 1889.

subjoined Resolution will be proposed.

Hundred and Fifty Thousand."

Hongkong, 28th January, 1889.

By Order,

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,

Secretary.

G. E. NOBLE,

G. E. NOBLE,

Chief Manager.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Com-

INTIMATION

F. Blackhead & Co., SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAIL-MAKERS,

PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVY CONTRACTORS,

GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS.

No. 11. Praya Central, (Opposite Pedder's Wharf).

RAHTJEN'S

THE BOTTOMS OF IRON SHIPS CARBOLINEUM AVENARIUS

PRESERVATIVE AGAINST ROTTING, DECAY, &c., of WOOD. CHR. MOTZ & Co., BORDEAUX, CLARETS

IMPERIAL CHAMPAGNE, LA GRANDE MARQUE.

FLENSBURG STOCKBEER, ENGINEERS AND BLACKSMITHS' TOOLS AND EVERY KIND OF SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES ALWAYS IN STOCK

REASONABLE PRICES.

ALL KINDS OF

SUPPLIED AT THE SHORTEST NOTICE Hongkong, 1st January, 1884.

NOTICE.

JEYE'S SANITARY COMPOUNDS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned have this day been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the sale of these PERFECT DISINFECTANTS, and are prepared to supply quantities to suit purchasers, at Wholesale Prices, Extra Special terms for Shipping and large Orders. Sir Robert Rawlinson, C.B., C.E., Chief

Sanitary Engineer, Local Government Board London, says "It is the best Disinfectant in use." W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co., Bank Buildings,

> FOR SALE, AT WHOLESALE PRICES.

C'ACCONES' SHERRY: PORT, CLARETS. Burgundy, Hocks, Champagnes. BRANDIES, WHISKIES. "EMPIRE" ALE and STOUT. MACHINERY, GAS ENGINES, "EMPIRE" LUBRICATORS, SINGER'S SEWING MACHINES.

Cooking stoves scales. BICYCLES and TRICYCLES JUVENILE VELOCIPEDE HORSES and TRICYCLES. BICYCLE WHEELS for JINRICKSHAS. SODA WATER MACHINERY.

JEYE'S SANITARY COMPOUNDS.

Apply to W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co., Bank Buildings. Hongkong, 29th September, 1888.

G. FALCONER & CO. TATCH and CHRONOMETER MANU-FACTURERS and JEWELLERS. NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS and BOOKS. No. 48, Queen's Road Central.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED. THE EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, Pedder's Street, on THURSDAY, the 7th February, at NOON, to receive a Statement of the Accounts of the Company to the 31st December, 1888, and the Report of the General Managers, and to discuss any matters that may be competently

will be CLOSED from the 28th instant to 7th proximo, both days inclusive, JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Managers. Hongkong, 24th January, 1889.

December, 1888.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 6th Proxime to the 19 h Proximo, both days inclusive.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,

Secretary Hongkong, 28th January, 1889.

TO LET, ENTRY 1ST MARCH NEXT NTO. 3, WEST TERRACE.

Apply to G. C. ANDERSON 13. Praya Central. Hongkong, 29th January, 1889.

OOMS in "College Chambers."

DAVID SASSOON SONS & Co. Hongkong, 12th December, 1888. TO LET. WITH EARLY POSSESSION.

TOS. 1, 2 and 4, QUEEN'S GARLENS G. C. ANDERSON

Hongkong, 24th January, 1889. That Article No. 9 of the Articles of Association be altered by eliminating therefrom the TO LET.

> Apply to co Hongkong Telegraph Office.

A T the Peak, "Dunford," A FIVE ROOMED HOUSE with Tennis Court. Possession OTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of from the 15th instant to the 31st March, 1889, or

> J. Y. V. VERNON. Hongkong, 3rd November, 1888.

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